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## DISCOVER

### Welcome to Cedar Hill's World of Art, Culture, History and Natural Beauty

## Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation's Guide for Visitors

*A self-guided tour of Cedar Hill Cemetery's most notable residents.*



## Explore

### Jacob Weidenmann: Landscape Architect

Jacob Weidenmann served as Cedar Hill's landscape architect and first superintendent. In the forefront of the landscape architecture profession, Weidenmann's Hartford commissions include Bushnell Park, the gardens at the Butler-McCook home, and the grounds at The Institute of Living. Familiar with the rural cemetery movement, Weidenmann's design innovations at Cedar Hill marked the beginning of his national prominence in this field. While Cedar Hill's landscape incorporates the best features of earlier prototypes such as drives following the natural sweep of the terrain in a graceful, curving manner, it also includes several burial plots are smaller than those of its features unique in rural cemetery design. The



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## EXPERIENCE

## Notables Abound at Cedar Hill

Below are notable residents not included on the enclosed map. To learn about these notables, visit our website at [cedarhillfoundation.org](http://cedarhillfoundation.org).

- Robert Ames - Actor
- Fern Andra - Actress
- John Moran Bailey - Politics
- Henry Barnard - Educator
- Charles E. Billings - Businessman
- Donald Lamont Brown - Businessman
- William Gedney Bunce - Artist
- John Burnham - Civil War Soldier
- Henry Ward Camp - Civil War Soldier
- Emily Parmely Collins - Women's Rights Advocate
- Charles Custis - Businessman
- Lemuel Custis - Tuskegee Airman
- Katherine Seymour Day - Artist, Advocate
- Charles B. Dillingham - Broadway Producer
- Albert Entress - Sculptor
- Giulio "Johnny Duke" Gallucci - Boxer
- William Glackens - Artist
- Annie Warburton Goodrich - Healthcare
- William Gray - Inventor
- Joseph Hawley - Businessman, Politician
- James Laurie - Engineer
- Benjamin Wistar Morris - Architect
- Michael P. Peters - Politician
- Albert Linder Pope - Businessman
- Francis A. Pratt - Inventor, Businessman
- Virginia Thrall Smith - Children's Rights Advocate
- Cincinnatus Taft - Healthcare
- Amos Whitney - Inventor, Businessman
- George Wright - Artist

### Ensuring a Lasting Legacy

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Cedar Hill Cemetery is a sanctuary for Connecticut history, impressive funerary art, and natural beauty. Its significance is the result of careful planning and the utmost respect for the more than 35,000 people interred here.

Established in 1999, Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization whose mission is to preserve, protect and promote in perpetuity the art, culture, history and natural beauty of Hartford's nationally-recognized Cedar Hill Cemetery. Today, Cedar Hill Cemetery and Foundation work collaboratively to ensure Cedar Hill remains a place of beauty and tranquility for all who visit.

### Visitor Information

Visitors are welcome to explore Cedar Hill's art, culture, history, and natural beauty. Quiet recreational activities, such as walking, birding, and photography, are permitted. Please respect the solemnity of the Cemetery and observe its rules during your visit.

Cedar Hill's entranceway gates are open daily from dawn until dusk. The offices are located in the Northam Memorial Chapel and are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm.



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Protecting our future.*

# Cedar Hill Cemetery's Self-Guide Notables Tour

## Section 1

### (A) Joseph Hopkins Twichell (1838-1918)

Joseph Twichell served as the pastor of Hartford's Asylum Hill Congregational Church for 47 years. As Mark Twain's close friend, he officiated at his wedding, christened his children, and spoke at his funeral. In his book *A Tramp Abroad*, Twain based Harris' character on Twichell.

### (B) Morgan Gardner Bulkeley (1837-1922)

Morgan Bulkeley played an integral role in transforming Aetna Life Insurance into a national, multi-line insurance company. Active in politics, he served as a U. S. senator and governor of Connecticut. He was the first president of the National Baseball League. He was elected posthumously into the Baseball Hall of Fame.

### (C) General Griffin A. Stedman (1838-1864)

A Hartford native and Trinity College graduate, Griffin Stedman attained the rank of General as he lay dying from a gunshot wound at the Battle of Petersburg. His Civil War monument includes a granite rendition of his regimental cap, sword and belt laying atop the U. S. flag.

## Section 2

### (D) George Beach (1788-1860)

George Beach was president of Phoenix Bank and a partner of Phelps, Beach & Company, pioneers in the importing of dye stuffs. Noted architect Richard Upjohn, who later designed the Connecticut State Capitol, designed the Beach monument. It is in the style of a ciborium and features marble relief carvings depicting *The Passion of the Christ* by sculptor John Moffit.

### (E) Samuel Colt (1814-1862) & Elizabeth Colt (1826-1905)

Inventor and industrialist, Samuel Colt was the founder of Colt's Patent Fire Arms Manufacturing Company. He is recognized for the improvement and mass production of the revolver. His widow, Elizabeth, erected this grand memorial shortly after the establishment of Cedar Hill. Noted sculptor Randolph Rogers designed the *Angel of Resurrection* which graces the top of the monument.

### (F) The Rt. Rev. Thomas C. Brownell (1779-1865)

Thomas Brownell was the 3rd Episcopal Bishop of Connecticut and seventh Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. He reignited efforts to establish a faith-based college in Connecticut. In 1823, the State Legislature chartered Washington College, now Trinity. Brownell served as the college's first president.

### (G) Pliney Jewell (1797-1869) & Marshall Jewell (1825-1883)

Founder of the Jewell Belting Company, Pliney Jewell introduced leather belting as a mechanism for conveying power in place of costly and cumbersome gearing systems. His son Marshall took over the business in 1850. Marshall served as Connecticut governor, Minister to Russia, and Postmaster General. Carl Conrads, house sculptor for New England Granite Works, designed the bronze figure holding an anchor, symbolizing hope.

## Section 3

### (H) Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet (1787-1851)

Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet is recognized as the father of deaf education in the United States. In 1817, he helped found the American Asylum for Deaf-Mutes. Now the American School for the Deaf, he served as its principal for many years. This was the first school in the country devoted to educating deaf children.

### (I) Charles Dudley Warner (1829-1900)

Charles Dudley Warner worked as an editor for *The Evening Press* and *The Hartford Courant*. He was also a popular author, writing essays, novels, biographies, memoirs, and travel books. His book of essays, *My Summer in a Garden*, was a bestseller. He collaborated with Mark Twain on the satirical novel *The Gilded Age*.

### (J) George Woodward (1816-1866)

George Woodward's brownstone memorial recognizes his importance to Cedar Hill with the inscription: "The first burial in this cemetery." He was buried on June 17, 1866.

### (K) Gideon Welles (1802-1878)

In 1861, President Abraham Lincoln named Gideon Welles Secretary of the Navy. He served in this Cabinet position until 1869. During his tenure, he implemented some of the founding principles upon which the navy still functions. Welles showed his support for abolition by employing former slaves. One of these employees, Henry Green, is buried in the Welles lot.



## Section 4

### (L) Isabella Beecher Hooker (1822-1907)

Isabella Beecher, a member of the prominent Beecher family, married Hartford lawyer John Hooker. In 1869, she founded the Connecticut Woman Suffrage Association, serving as its director for 36 years. She fought for a married women's property bill. She introduced the bill to the State Legislature for seven years until its passage in 1877.

### (M) Charles K. Hamilton (1885-1914)

Charles K. Hamilton was a well-known barnstormer who participated in aerial competitions and daredevil exhibitions. In 1910, he won a \$10,000 prize for being the first to fly from New York to Philadelphia and back. That same year he made his first public flight in Connecticut. This was the first reliably documented heavier-than-air flight in the state. He also made the first night flight in America in 1910.

### (N) Horace Wells (1815-1848)

A Hartford dentist, Horace Wells discovered the use of nitrous oxide as an anesthetic. Wells died at the age of 33 and was posthumously recognized for his achievement. The imagery on the family memorial, erected by his son and sculpted by Louis Potter, recognizes Wells' achievement.

## Section 5

### (O) Mark Howard (1817-1887)

Mark Howard was a prominent figure in the insurance industry. His pink granite pyramid is one of the most photographed memorials at Cedar Hill. The inverted torches flanking the doorway signify life extinguished, the three steps symbolize the Trinity, the butterflies on the steps symbolize resurrection, and the Angel at the doorway is waiting to lead the deceased through the gates of heaven.

## Section 7

### (P) Jacob Weidenmann (1829-1893)

Jacob Weidenmann was Cedar Hill's landscape architect and first superintendent. Born in Switzerland, he studied art, architecture, horticulture, and engineering in Europe. After completing his studies, he traveled extensively. He came to Hartford to work as Park Superintendent, overseeing the development of Bushnell Park. He was the author of *Beautifying Country Homes* and *Modern Cemeteries*.

For more information about these and other notables, visit our website at [cedarhillfoundation.org](http://cedarhillfoundation.org).

Or join us for one of our popular public programs.

To map the location of anyone laid to rest at Cedar Hill Cemetery, visit [cemeteryfind.com](http://cemeteryfind.com) and utilize the Search Burial Records function.

## Section 10

### (Q) George Capewell (1843-1919)

George Capewell developed and perfected the means to make horseshoe nails by machine. In 1881, he established the Capewell Horseshoe Nail Company in Hartford. Between 1903 and 1912, the factory was at its most productive and prosperous, making Hartford the Horseshoe Nail Capital of the world.

### (R) Katharine Hepburn (1907-2003)

Katharine Hepburn was the daughter of Katharine Houghton, an active supporter of women's rights, and Thomas Hepburn, Connecticut's first urologist. A celebrated actor on stage and screen, Hepburn appeared in more than 50 movies and 10 Broadway productions during her career which spanned five decades. She holds the record for most Best Actress Oscar wins with four.

### (S) Yung Wing (1828-1912)

Yung Wing was the first Chinese student to graduate from an American university, completing his studies at Yale in 1854. As Deputy Commissioner of the Chinese Educational Commission, he returned to the U. S. in 1872. While the program closed sooner than anticipated, the educational exchange is credited with providing China with leaders in the fields of engineering, diplomacy, sciences, and academia.

### (T) James G. Batterson (1823-1901)

James Batterson established himself in Hartford as proprietor of a stoneyard. His company was responsible for numerous public monuments, most notably Civil War memorials including monuments at Antietam and Gettysburg. Cedar Hill and many other prominent American cemeteries also boast Batterson monuments. In 1864, he founded Travelers Insurance Company, which he managed for more than a third of its first century.

### (U) Henry Keney (1806-1894) & Walter Keney (1808-1889)

Businessmen Henry and Walter Keney donated land and funds for Hartford's Keney Park. They also set aside funding to erect a large clock tower on the site of the family wholesale grocery business. It was dedicated to their mother, Rebecca Turner Keney, in 1898.

### (V) Reverend Francis Goodwin (1839-1923)

Francis Goodwin served on the Hartford Parks Commission for 30 years. A champion of green space, he envisioned the city being encircled by public parks. The Commission named Goodwin Park, across from Cedar Hill, in his honor in recognition of his service to the city.

## Section 11

### (W) John Pierpont Morgan (1837-1913)

J. Pierpont Morgan was one of America's most prominent financiers and bankers. With his father Junius, he funneled capital from Europe to the emerging American economy. He invested in the railroad industry and industrial corporations. He donated millions to charities and public institutions including the Wadsworth Atheneum and Yale University. Hartford architect George Keller designed the memorial, which was Morgan's vision of the Ark of the Covenant.

## Section 12

### (X) Edwin Denison Morgan (1811-1883)

Edwin Denison Morgan began his business career as a clerk in his uncle's Hartford grocery store. He eventually moved to New York where he established a wholesale grocery firm, and later an import house and brokerage and securities business. Active in politics, he served as Governor of New York and as a U. S. Senator. He was also the first and longest serving chairman of the Republican National Committee.

### (Y) Gilbert F. Heublein (1849-1937)

Gilbert F. Heublein was a prominent hotelier and restaurateur in Hartford. He was also a successful food and liquor distributor. He is credited with bringing A-1 Steak Sauce and Smirnoff Vodka to the United States. Known today as Heublein Tower, he built the German-style mansion atop Talcott Mountain in 1914.

## Section 14

### (Z) Wallace Stevens (1879-1955)

Wallace Stevens was a noted businessman and poet. In 1916, he joined Hartford Accident and Indemnity Company where he worked as an insurance executive. Considered one of the most significant American poets of the 20th century, he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry and his second National Book Award for *Collected Poems of Wallace Stevens*.